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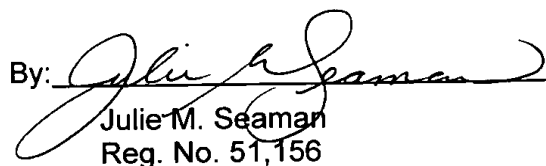
Claims 1-299 are pending in this application. As elected - with traverse - in Applicants' response dated April 5, 2002, claims 1-281, 286, and 288-299 are before the Examiner for prosecution on the merits. Claims 93, 185, and 279 are amended to correct minor errors of a typographical nature. Support for these amendments can be found in the specification as filed. No new matter has been added by the foregoing amendments.

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APPENDIX TO AMENDMENT OF JUNE 27, 2002
Version with Markings to Show Changes Made

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 2, delete the second full paragraph, and substitute the following therefor:

-- The invention also provides a method for providing stability to a composition comprising including in the composition at least one structuring polymer comprising a polymer skeleton which comprises at least one hydrocarbon-based repeating unit comprising at least one hetero atom. The composition further comprises at least one oil-soluble polymer chosen from alkyl celluloses and alkylated guar gums. --

Pages 8-9, delete the paragraph bridging pages 8 and 9, and substitute the following therefor:

-- As discussed, the at least one structuring polymer may, for example, be chosen from polyamide polymers. A polyamide polymer may comprise, for example, a polymer skeleton which comprises at least one amide repeating unit, *i.e.*, a polyamide skeleton. In one embodiment, the polyamide skeleton may further comprise at least one terminal fatty chain chosen from alkyl chains, for example, alkyl chains comprising at least four carbon atoms, and alkenyl chains, for example, alkenyl chains comprising at least four carbon atoms, bonded to the at least one polyamide skeleton via at least one linking group, and/or at least one pendant fatty chain chosen from alkyl chains, for example, alkyl chains comprising at least four carbon atoms, and alkenyl chains, for

example, alkenyl chains comprising at least four carbon atoms, bonded to the at least one polyamide skeleton via at least one linking group. In one embodiment, the polyamide skeleton may comprise at least one terminal fatty chain chosen from fatty chains comprising 8 to 120 carbon atoms, such as, for example, 12 to 68 carbon atoms, bonded to the at least one polyamide skeleton via at least one linking group and/or at least one pendant fatty chain chosen [chosen] from fatty chains comprising 8 to 120 carbon atoms, such as, for example, 12 to 68 carbon atoms, bonded to the at least one polyamide skeleton via at least one linking group, such as bonded to any carbon or nitrogen of the polyamide skeleton via said at least one linking group. In one embodiment, the at least one linking group is chosen from single bonds and urea, urethane, thiourea, thiourethane, thioether, thioester, ester, ether and amine groups. For example, the linking group can be chosen from ureas, esters, and amines. As a further example, the linking group can be chosen from esters and amines. The bond is, for example, an ester bond. In one embodiment, these polymers comprise a fatty chain at each end of the polymer skeleton, such as the polyamide skeleton. --

Pages 17-18, delete the paragraph bridging pages 17 and 18, and substitute the following therefor:

-- The liquid fatty phase of the composition may contain more than 30%, for example, more than 40%, of liquid oil(s) having a chemical nature close to the chemical nature of the skeleton (hydrocarbon or silicone based) of the structuring polymer, and for example from 50% to 100%. In one embodiment, the liquid fatty phase structured with a polyamide-type skeleton, or polyurea, or [polyurethan]polyurethane, or polyurea-

urethane-type skeleton contains a high quantity, *i.e.*, greater than 30%, for example greater than 40% relative to the total weight of the liquid fatty phase, or from 50% to 100%, of at least one apolar, such as hydrocarbon-based, oil. For the purposes of the invention, the expression "hydrocarbon-based oil" means an oil comprising carbon and hydrogen atoms, optionally with at least one group chosen from hydroxyl, ester, carboxyl and ether groups. --

Page 31, delete the footnote after Table 1, and substitute the following therefor:

-- [*₁]Others*₁: Preservatives, masking agents, colorants, vitamins, oil-soluble actives, anti-oxidants, and dermatological actives. --

Page 33, delete the caption "Example 2" and delete "TABLE 2", and substitute the following therefor:

-- **Example 2: Clear Anhydrous Sunscreen Stick with an Oil-Soluble Cationic [Polymer]Surfactant**

TABLE 2

RAW MATERIALS	Phase	A	B	C
Schercemol DISM (Diisostearyl malate)	A	10	10	10
Ceraphyl 45 (Diocetyl malate)	A	20	200	20
Cristal 0 (Castor Oil)	A	28.9	27.9	29.4

NatureChem PGR (Propylene glycol ricinoleate)	A	10.5	10.5	10.5
Glucquat - 100 (Lauryl methyl gluceth-10 hydroxypropyl [dimonium]dimmonium chloride)	A	1	2	0.5
Macromelt 6212 (Polyamide resin)	B	16	16	16
Cetyl Alcohol	C	3	3	3
Propyl Paraben	C	0.1	0.1	0.1
Uvinul M40 USP (Benzophenone-3)	D	3	3	3
Parsol MCX (Octyl methoxy cinnamate)	D	7.5	7.5	7.5

Page 35, delete the caption "Example 3" and delete "TABLE 3", and substitute the following therefor:

-- Example 3: Clear Anhydrous Sunscreen Sticks with an Oil-Soluble
[Cationic] Polymer

TABLE 3

RAW MATERIALS	Phase	A	B	C	D	E
Schercemol DISM (Diisostearyl malate)	A	10	10	10	10	10

Ceraphyl 45 (Diocetyl malate)	A	20	20	20	20	20
Cristal 0 ([Caster]Castor Oil)	A	26.15	24.15	22.9	23.9	23.15
NatureChem PGR (Propylene glycol ricinoleate)	A	10.5	10.5	10.5	10.5	10.5
Macromelt 6212 (Polyamide resin)	B	16	16	16	16	16
N-Hance-AG-50 (C ₁ -C ₅ alkyl galactomannan)	A	-	2	-	-	-
N-Hance-AG-200 (C ₁ -C ₅ alkyl galactomannan)	A	-	-	3	-	-
Ethocel 100 (Ethyl cellulose)	A	-	-	-	2	-
Ethocel 7 (Ethyl cellulose)	A	-	-	-	-	3
Cetyl Alcohol	C	4	4	4	4	4
Propyl Paraben	C	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Parsol 1789 (Butyl methoxydibenzol methane)	D	3	3	3	3	3
Neo Heliopan 303 (Octocrylene)	D	10	10	10	10	10
Flavoring Oil	E	0.25	0.25	0.5	0.5	0.25

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IN THE CLAIMS:

93. (Amended) The composition according to claim 92, wherein said at least one wax is chosen from carnauba wax, candelilla wax, ouricury wax, Japan wax, cork fiber wax, sugar cane wax, paraffin waxes, lignite wax, microcrystalline waxes, lanolin wax, montan wax, polyethylene waxes, waxes obtained by Fischer-Tropsch synthesis, silicone waxes, ozokerites, hydrogenated jojoba oil, fatty acid esters, and fatty acid ester glycerides.

185. (Amended) The composition according to claim 184, wherein said at least one wax is chosen from carnauba wax, candelilla wax, ouricury wax, Japan wax, cork fiber wax, sugar cane wax, paraffin waxes, lignite wax, microcrystalline waxes, lanolin wax, montan wax, polyethylene waxes, waxes obtained by Fischer-Tropsch synthesis, silicone waxes, ozokerites, hydrogenated jojoba oil, fatty acid esters, and fatty acid ester glycerides.

279. (Amended) The anhydrous composition according to claim 278, wherein said at least one wax is chosen from carnauba wax, candelilla wax, ouricury wax, Japan wax, cork fiber wax, sugar cane wax, paraffin waxes, lignite wax, microcrystalline waxes, lanolin wax, montan wax, polyethylene waxes, waxes obtained by Fischer-Tropsch synthesis, silicone waxes, ozokerites, hydrogenated jojoba oil, fatty acid esters, and fatty acid ester glycerides.

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